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THE GREY PROMPTER.

A JINGLE.

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I'm a wizened old bard who dwells under the stage,
And my lungs are a delicate matter;
I've eluded the census for half of my term,
And my wealth wouldn't buy a blue platter.
When the curtain is up, and the players are on,
No audience notices me;

But when all is still, and the trap trap is done;
When the dancing is over, the fiddlers have gone,
I am absolute monarch, *per se*.

Talk of Juliet, Hamlet and sweet Rosalind,
Farce comedy, skirt, melodrama,
can toss 'em their lines, or can give 'em their cues,
"Nobe," "Don Juan," "Alabama."
The Profession all know me, for better or worse;
Cold shoulder is strictly their pose;
Nay, a kick, and a blow at my head, or a curse,
Are my meat and my drink, and my beggarly purse,
But this is quite "under the rose."

Of course, I am useful in many small things;
You'll observe I've grown grey in the service—
A mascot to actors behind the footlights,
Having never been known to get nervous—
So do I do all I can in my versatile way—
Artistic to highest extent—

For I dash at the wings in a dangerous fray,
Or I squeak at their feet, and thus help out the play,
But, by midnight my patience is spent.

Who would be a prompter, down under a stage
In a coop that resembles a bonnet?
Or who would elect to inhabit the flies,
And endure all the scorn that's upon it?
Let them swear at me, spurn me, chuck shoes at my knees,
I care not a fig about that;

All I want in this world is a bit of spare cheese,

And a hole in the floor where to snooze at mine ease,
For I'm only a wrinkled old rat!

CYNTHIA MARLOWE.

A WOMAN'S RIGHT HAND.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER.

BY CHAS. H. DAY.

When Eugene Varian, the equestrian, went abroad it was with the idea of returning shortly to his native land. But, as he visited one country after another, he seemed to become infatuated with strange scenes and strange people, and perhaps equally infatuated with the big, fat salaries which the foreign managers were willing and able to pay.

There was also a very potent reason. The famous rider disliked American tenting, and preferred the comforts and the triumphs of the old world's housed and located arenas. One charm of his engagements across the sea was the number of pleasant social relations that he made, and it was not until a certain occurrence, which I am about to relate, that he returned home, still in the prime of life, but a definite artist, certain in his position and unequalled in his line.

With the liberty of an old acquaintance, I jocosely referred to his continued single blessedness, and remarked that it was strange that, in all his wanderings, he should not have found one, and *the one*, out of the many thousands of Europe's fair daughters. The instant the words escaped my lips I regretted that I had used them. He looked very grave as he placed one hand on my shoulder, and said, very solemnly:

"My dear old fellow, you touch me on a tender spot when you refer to *that*."

I did not better the master by blurting:

"So you left your heart behind you?"

With a grim smile between set lips he nodded assent.

For several moments there was an awkward silence, and, just as I had got an apology for my impertinence framed in my mind, he seated himself in the nearest chair, lighted a cigar, and, with a toss of the burning match, said, in a low voice:

"I don't mind telling *you*."

This is the tale he told, which I remember as vividly and as accurately as if I had written it down in shorthand:

"I first met the woman in Italy—at Venice, at Rome, then again at Berlin and Vienna, but not in Russia. Then I went to London, Madrid, Paris. She was there, too. Her name—no matter, I quite forgot how I came to meet her. I was constantly being introduced to so many people. I think now that she sought me, for how else could she have been where I was, at Berlin, Vienna, London, Paris, Madrid? Still, it never occurred to me at the time.

"It was not until we were at Paris that I knew that she was more to me than any other woman in the world. One day I called on our American minister at the Legation. He had met her at the Cirque, and accepted his invitation to call. On my first visit I was introduced to a distinguished visitor, who had called upon an affair of importance and international interest.

"Our minister, in introducing me, remarked that he felt a particular interest in me, and the prefect of police, for it was he, expressed his great pleasure in meeting so distinguished an artist, and would be only too happy to serve me at any time.

"We passed out together, and, as the police official was about to step into his carriage, he said:

"I must see you tomorrow at eleven at my office. The presentation of your card will secure you an immediate interview. Do not fail me, as it is of importance that I see you. You will then know how fortunate it is to *you* that we have met. *Au revoir!*"

"He was gone before I could answer yes or no, and I was wondering what in thunder the prefect of police could want of me; and I kept on wondering until I came well nigh breaking my neck in the ring that night.

"The next day at eleven I was at the police headquarters, and my card was an open sesame to the immediate presence of that mighty and mysterious terror to evil doers.

"He did not waste much time in the civilities of the day, but, like a man accustomed to dispatching much business, came at once to the point.

"'You know—' He mentioned her name. I

replied that I did. Then he ran over the names of the cities in which I had met her.

"'She followed you to these places, but *not to Russia!*'

"I bridled up a bit with my American independence, and exclaimed, incredulously:

"'Followed me!'

"'Yes, followed,' reiterated the chief, adding with a smile:

"'I am aware of the lady's movements every hour since you first met her at Rome.'

"'Well, what of it?' I asked, with a tinge of indignation in my voice.

"'This: That she is a dangerous woman, and I would warn you to beware of her.'

very charming woman. Well, to curtail the story, we dined together, and then I escorted her to the circus. Yes, and we supped together after the performance.

"I can tell you, old boy, I rode for my life that night, and when I finished my act she drew a jeweled ring from her finger and threw it to me in the arena. They do that thing over there. I bowed and kissed my hand, and the audience shouted a 'Bravo!' at the occurrence.

"When I got to my lodgings after our supper I did not retire. I did not even think of sleep. I thought only of: Beware of that woman. Not in Russia, and the woman's right hand.

"Then I came down to the meeting in the park,

was dated at the office of the prefect of police the night before. It read:

"As neither of you has headed my meaning, I have but one course to pursue. I shall inform him tomorrow that you are not _____, but the adventuress. I shall tell him why you *dared not visit Russia* and why he *had never seen your right hand*, cut off by the law officers of a Russian province because with your many other crimes you committed *forgery*!"

"The ghastly communication was signed by the prefect of police. The maid, with tearful eyes, watched me as I read the note, which I returned with the injunction:

"Show this to no one else."

THE TRANSFORMATION SCENE.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY MONROE H. ROSENFELD.

In her graces
And her laces

She was charming and alarming, [Queen;
With her sylph like shape she reigned the ballets'
The unmarried
Always tarried

When she skipped it and she tripped it
As an angel in the transformation scene.

In her poses,
'Mid the roses,

Ah! her glancing was entrancing,
And bewitchingly seraphic was her mein!

Realistic,
Too, yet mystic,

Fancy teasing and so pleasing,
Was this sash in the transformation scene?

Bonquets splendid
Never ended

In a shower for her dower, [spleen;
And her triumphs vexed the premiere's envious

She was lauded
And applauded,

And the oddest was less modest

Than the angel in the transformation scene!

Always smiling,
Hearts beginning,

Youths quite sappy thought her happy
As they gazed and gazed and deemed her life serene;

There's a story
To this glory,

She so sprightly told it rightly
As the Angel in the transformation scene!

In the city,
Oh, the pity!

There is sorrow every morrow
That the patient, loving soul must ever screen!

Past the glitter
And the ditter,

There is hurry, there is worry
For the angel in the transformation scene!

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'Mid the snowing
And the blowing,

By the sighing and the dying,
See a daughter o'er her pallid mother lean!

Oh! the blessings
And caressings!

'Mid no roses here she poses
As the angel in the transformation scene!

MANAGER J. H. CURTIN.

A detailed history of the life of Manager James H. Curtin, of the Harlem Olympic Theatre, would read like a dime novel. He was born at Houston, Tex., and was one of twelve brothers, nine of whom served in the Southern army. James served as a drummer boy to the Texas Rangers. He was but fifteen years old. He later joined the Seventh Louisiana, better known as the Louisiana Tigers, and was wounded several times. He was on the field at Gettysburg, and fought to the close of the war. He then studied architecture, and became associated with his brother in that profession. Many of the most prominent public buildings throughout Texas were designed by him. He was elected Sheriff of Hays County, and was shot five times while in the discharge of his duty. He was presented with a gold watch and chain by the people of Galveston, Tex., for shooting a desperado named Ben Thompson. In 1879 he came to New York, and went to work for M. R. Leavitt as treasurer of his "Adamless Eden" Co. Afterwards he was business manager for the same company. He has been ahead of and managed the following companies: "Adamless Eden," Lilly Clay Co., Rose Hill Co., J. A. Stevens' Co., Prof. O. R. Gleason and Chas. E. Verner, and also conducted a booking agency for T. H. Winnett. He accepted a position as manager and treasurer of the Olympic Theatre, on its opening, Aug. 27, 1890, and is still there. Next season he will go on the road, associated with Jas. Donaldson, owner and proprietor of the Olympic and London Theatres.

Times Had Changed.

At Sumter, S. C., there was a large crowd of colored people at the depot as the train pulled in. An old bald headed Uncle Jerry had his head out of the coach set apart for colored passengers, and a man on the platform recognized him and called out:

"Hello, Misser Stivers! Is dat yo'?"

The old man looked straight at him, but made no response.

"Hello! Misser Stivers?"

No response.

"Say, Misser Stivers, has yo' lost yo' hearing?"

persisted the man, as he drew nearer.

"Boy, was yo' talkin' to me?" sternly demanded the old man.

"Sartin. What's de matter?"

"Boy, does yo' want anything of me?"

"Why, how yo' talk! Reckon yo' has got de hoodoo."

"Does yo' evidently reckon yo' knows me?"

"Of corse I knows yo'. Yo' is ole man Stivers."

"When did yo' know me?"

"Last Fall. Why, I dun worked wid yo' fur three months."

"An' when yo' dun worked wid me what was I a doin'?"

"Drivin' dem mewls for Kurnel Johnson."

"Exactly, sahn. But I want yo' to understand dat dere is a heap o' difference awxix drivin' dem mewls fur Kurnel Johnson an' ridin' on de kivered kyars along wid white folks. I might a known yo' last Fall, sahn, but if yo' now deshal to permeate any elongated conversashun wid me, yo' mus' git some 'sponsible gem'ler to introduce yo'!"

"WAITER," he said, "bring me some crabs *a la Beelzebub*." "Yes, sir." The crabs were brought in due time, devoured, and the bill was seventy-five cents. "How's this?" he inquired. "It's only forty cents on your bill of fare." "Yes, sir," replied the waiter. "That's our figure for deviled crabs, but when a gent wants crabs *a la Beelzebub* we charge him like le diable."



"At that instant an officer of rank plunged into the room with breathless haste, and whispered a few hasty words into his chief's ear. The prefect was not at all disconcerted. He picked up his hat from the table as deliberately as he said:

"A murder has just been discovered in high life. My personal services are required at once. This way; I will show you out."

"I passed out with him, but not by the door by which I entered. Just as we were about to part he asked:

"Did you ever see her right hand?"

"Did I ever see her right hand?" What a singular question that was to ask. Then, as I walked along, I turned to him, thinking how singular the whole interview. He knew of my movements through Europe as well as I did; as we Yankees say, he 'had me down to a dot.' In my random wanderings I came to a park, and, seating myself in a secluded spot, I took to pondering.

"One day she and I went riding together; it was upon my invitation. While we were dining at a roadside house, the driver also refreshed himself. I did not notice when we returned to the carriage that he had been drinking heavily. Some disarrangement of the harness brought about an accident. Without a warning the horses dashed away, upset the carriage and spilled us both by the wayside.

"The driver was drunk, of course escaped injury, barring a couple of good sound thumps that I gave him; but she was rendered insensible for a few moments. I felt of her pulse, and discovered that *her right arm was a false hand*!"

"She soon returned to consciousness, and, complaining to be ill, I left her at her hotel, promising to call on the morrow.

"She seemed to know that I had learned the secret of the missing hand, at least so I imagined. As you may suppose, I was on hand the next morning as early as allowable. As I approached the hotel I saw quite a gathering about the entrance. When I came to meet her maid she was in tears. *Her mistress was dead!*

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THEATRICAL. LATEST BY TELEGRAPH.

Monday Night's Openings in All the Big Show Towns.

GOLDEN GATE GLEANINGS.

Many Novelties Presented, but They Do Not All Meet with Success.

[Special Dispatch to The New York Clipper.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—At the Baldwin, J. C. Duff's Opera Co. made their first appearance last evening in "Cavalleria Rusticana," which will alternate during the week with "A Trip to Africa" and "The Gondoliers." The opening house was crowded.

CALIFORNIA.—Alex. Salvin made his first appearance here last evening in "Don Cesario de Basan" to a crowded house.

BOSTON.—"The Stowaway" received its first representation here last night.

STOCKWELL.—"The Passing Regiment" was presented here last evening by Lederer's Comedians and proved a failure. Clara Lipman and Tenye Poole have left the company. Mrs. Sara Stevens joined last night.

THE ALCAZAR is closed, and the company have disbanded. Geo. Osborne, Bert Coole, Julia Kingsley, Marri Osborne, Melville Lipman, and Walter Hale have gone to Seattle, Wash., to join Crawford's Stock. Victory Bateman has signed with Stockwell's.

NORTH.—George France opens at Morosco's 27..... "The Mask" was presented last night at the Tivoli. "The Confederate Spy" was Morosco's attraction last week.... "Hazel Kirke" as interpreted by Kate Daigle, did a good week's business at the Grove Street Theatre.... The Duff Opera Co. will be the inaugural attraction of Macdonough's New Theatre, Oakland, Cal. Nov. 14.... Lizzie Hastings, Muncie Pierce, Pearl Inman, Martin and Woods and Bulla and Foley appeared at the Lyceum.



ON THE ROAD.

All Routes Must Reach Us Not Later Than Monday.

Dramatic.

A kerstrom's, Ulle—St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 16-22, Minnesota 23-29. "Junior Partner"—Portland, Ore., Oct. 17-22, Tacoma 24-25. "Jolly Surprise"—Baltimore, Md., Oct. 17-22, Harlem, N. Y., 24-29. "Kings—Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 17-22, St. Paul, Minn., 23-29. Keene's, T. W.—St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 17-22, Chicago, Ill., 24-Nov. 5.

Kelly's, Dan A.—Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 17-22, Columbus, Ohio, 24-29. Kelly's, John T.—Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 24-26.

Keens, Hillier & Hartell's—Aberdeen, S. D., Oct. 19, 20, 21, 22, Ellendale 24-27, Lisbon 27-29.

Kennedy's, Alfred—Tyrone, Pa., Oct. 17-22, Louisville 23, Irwin 24-29. Keene's, Johnstone 23, Monongahela City 24, Washington 25, Wellsville, W. Va., 26, Wheeling 27, 28, Steubenville, O., 29.

King's Comedy—Cairo, Ill., Oct. 17-22, Dyersburg, Tenn., 24-29.

Kennall's, Ezra—Detroit, Mich., Oct. 17-22, Chicago, Ill., 24-29.

"Kentucky Colonel"—Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 19, 20.

Lester's, John T.—Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 19.

"Kentucky Girl"—Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 17-22.

"Knotty Affair"—Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 17-22, St. Joe, 26-29.

Knott's, Clarence—Westminster, Md., Oct. 21, Frederick 22, Hanover, Pa., 24, Carlisle 26, Chambersburg 27, Martinsburg, W. Va., 28, Frostburg, Md., 29.

Brereton's, May—Elgin, Ill., Oct. 17-22, Aurora 21-29.

Barnes & Summers' Players—Independence, Ia., Oct. 17-22.

Bryant's, Oliver—Amesbury, Mass., Oct. 19, Dover, N. H., 21.

Brown's, Manchester 21, Concord 22, Bangor, Me., 24-25.

Rockland 26, Lewiston 27, Portland 28, 29.

Brooks'—Newark, N. J., Oct. 21, 22.

Briggs'—Newark, N. J., Oct. 17-22, Wallingford, Conn., 26-29.

Briggs'—Newark, N. J., Oct. 19, Albany 26-27, Syracuse 24-26.

Brown's, Lillian—Troy, N. Y., Oct. 19, Syracuse 24-26.

Rochester 27-29.

Lane's, Leora E.—Genoa, Neb., Oct. 24-29.

Labide-Royal—Hopkinsville, Ky., Oct. 21, 22, Bowling Green 23-29.

Leeks'—Jeffreys—Oakland, Cal., Oct. 17-22.

Lewis'—Carrie—Eucyrus, O., Oct. 17-22.

Lloyd & Lorraine's Ideal—Princeton, Ky., Oct. 17-22, Summit, Miss., 24-29.

Long's—Hartford—Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 19, Albany 26-27, N. Y. City 24-29.

Lyon's Theatre—Sharpey's—Whitehall, Ill., Oct. 17-22.

Clarksville, Mo., 24-29.

Lederer's Comedy—San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 17-22.

Leigh's—New Haven, Conn., Oct. 19, Hoboken, N. J., 22-23, Wheeling, W. Va., 24-26, Columbus, O., 27-29.

Locke's—Detroit, Mich., Oct. 21-26, Milwaukee, Wis., 27-29.

"Love and Money"—Chicago, Ill., Oct. 17-22.

"Lost Paradise"—St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 17-22, West Superior 24, Duluth 25, Eau Claire, Wis., 27, La Crosse 23, Madison 29.

Lyman's—Springfield, Ill., Oct. 19, Richwood, 24-29.

Macmillan's—Port Wayne 21, Adrian, Mich., 22, Ann Arbor 24, Flint 25, Lansing 26, Battle Creek 27, Kalamazo 28-29, Dayton 26, Toledo 27, Cincinnati 28-29.

"Mabel's Wedding"—Lawrence, Mass., Oct. 19.

Callahan's Comedy—Honolulu, O., Oct. 19, 21.

Crockett's Comedy—Fremont, Neb., Oct. 17-22.

Chicago Comedy—Lakewood, Fla., Oct. 19, 20, Bartow 21, Orlando 24-29.

Clemens'—Muskegon, Mich., Oct. 19, 20, Kalama 20-21, Cincinnati 22, Muskegon 23.

Chouteau's Dramatic—Sycamore, Ill., Oct. 17-22.

Cosmopolitan Dramatic—Rock Hill, S. C., Oct. 19, Greenville 20-21, Spartanburg 22-26.

Deacon's—Akron—Lawrence, Kan., Oct. 17-22.

Deacon's Comedy—Honolulu, O., Oct. 19, 21.

Deacon's—Seattle—St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 16-22, Milwaukee, Wis., 23-29.

Deacon's—Whitehall, Ill., Oct. 17-22.

Deacon's—Sullivan, Ind., Oct. 19, Brazil 23, Paris 24-29.

Deacon's—Tampa—Springfield, Ill., Oct. 19, Richwood, 24-29.

Deacon's—Tampa—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17-29.

McDonald's—N. Y. City Oct. 17-22.

Morrison's—Lewis—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17-22, Boston, Mass., 24-29.

Morris'—Ramsey—Won't real, Can., Oct. 17-22.

Morris'—Richard—Chicago, Ill., Oct. 17-22, Cincinnati, O., 24-29.

Marlowe's—Julia—Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 17-22.

Mather's—Margaret—Sacramento, Cal., Oct. 19, Stockton 20, 21, San Jose 22, San Francisco 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28.

McHenry's—Nellie—St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 16-22, Cairo, Ill., 23, Paducah, Ky., 25, Owensboro 26, Vincennes, Ind., 27, Terre Haute 28.

Mitchell's—Amy—Port Jervis, N. Y., Oct. 17-22, Wilkes-Barre 23, 24-29.

Mayo's—Frank—East Saginaw, Mich., Oct. 19, Midland 20, Big Rapids 21, Muskegon 22, Grand Rapids 24-29.

Maurice's—Julia—Akron, Ohio, Oct. 17-22, Dayton 23-29.

Murphy's—Joseph—Youngstown, O., Oct. 19, Akron 20, 21, 22, 23, 24-29.

Myers'—Edwin F.—Columbus, O., Oct. 19, Dayton 23-29.

Myers'—Edwin F.—Chelesa, Mass., Oct. 17-22.

Myers'—Edwin F.—Nashua, N. H., Oct. 19, 20, 21, 22.

Myers'—Edwin F.—Newark, N. J., Oct. 17-22, Newark 23-29.

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'Struggle of Life'—Brooklyn, N. Y., Oct. 17-22, Willemburg 24-29.
"Shadows of a Great City"—Boston, Mass., Oct. 17-22.
"Stowaway"—San Francisco, Calif., Oct. 17-22.
"Social Side"—Union City, Ind., Oct. 17-22.
"Kokomo 20, Muncie 22, Frankfort 24, Crawfordsville 25, Marion 26, Muncey 27, Danville, Ill., Oct. 27.
"Side Tracked"—West Superior, Minn., Oct. 19, Brainerd 20, St. Cloud 21, Saint Paul 22, Walworth 23, Watertown, Dak., 24, Faribault 25, Winona 26, Aberdeen 27, Groton 28.
"What Beors the War?"—Wheeling, W. Va., Oct. 19, Columbus, O., 27-32.
"Superba"—Detroit, Mich., Oct. 17-22, Cleveland, O., 24-29.
"Wreck"—Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 16-22.
"Scout"—Woonsocket, R. I., Oct. 19, 20, New Bedford, Mass., 22.
"Sundown"—Richmond, Va., Oct. 17-22, Montreal, Can., 24-29.
"Chicago, Ill."—Oct. 17-22.
"Si Plankard"—Bessemer, Mich., Oct. 19, Ironwood 20, Hurley, Wis., 21, Ashland 22, Washburn 24, Bayfield 25, Eau Claire 26.
Taylor's "Albion" Witches, Tex., Oct. 22, Henrietta 24, Deafest 25, Cedar 27-29.
Tucker's "Lillian"—Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 17-22, Brooklyn, N. Y., 24-29.
"Old Crookes" Anderson's—Columbus, Ga., Oct. 19, America 20, Albany 21, Euclid 22, Troy 23.
"Old Crookes" Wille—Akron, O., Oct. 19, Bradford, Pa., 20, Oil City 21, Butler 22, Pittsburgh, Pa., 24-29.
"Trip to Chinatown," No. 1—N. Y. City Oct. 17, 18.
"Trip to Chinatown," No. 2—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17-29.
"Texas Steer"—Baltimore, Md., Oct. 17-22, Washington, D. C., 24-29.
"Wreck"—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 24-29.
"Turkish Bath"—Mexico, Mo., Oct. 19, Sedalia 20, East St. Louis 21, St. Louis 23-29.
"Tuxedo"—Brooklyn, N. Y. Oct. 17-22.
"Two Old Crookes" Wille—Akron, O., Oct. 19, Bradford, Pa., 20, Oil City 21, Butler 22, Pittsburgh, Pa., 24-29.
"Trip to Chinatown," No. 1—N. Y. City Oct. 17, 18.
"Trip to Chinatown," No. 2—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17-29.
"Underground"—Cincinnati, O., Oct. 17-22, Jersey City, N. J., 24-29.
"Under the Lion's Paw"—Baltimore, Md., Oct. 17-22.
"Uncle Dinkie" Williams, Y. W., Oct. 17-22.
"Tom's Cabin" Pfaff & Gidolman's—Castleton, Oct. 19, Fair Haven, 20, Pittfield 21, Brandon 22, Middlebury 24, New Haven 25, Vergennes 26, Shelburne 27.
"Uncle Tom's Cabin," Manly & McGowen's—Danville, Ill., Oct. 24.
"Uncle Tom's Cabin," Stetson's—Fulton N. Y., Oct. 19, Clyde 20, Lyons 21, Brockport 22, Albion 24, Medina 25, Lockport 26, Niagara Falls 27, Erie, Pa., 28.
"Uncle Tom's Cabin," Palmer's—Hyde Park, Mass., Oct. 17-22.
"Vokes," Rosina—Chicago, Ill., Oct. 17-29.
Van Cortlandt's—Isla—Stratford, Can., Oct. 19, Louisville 20-21, Municipal Ind., 24, Brazil 25, East St. Louis, Mo., 26-29.
Wade-Laroye—Cassellton, N. D., Oct. 21, 22, Valley City 24-26, Jamestown 27-29.
Waite's Comedy—Hornellsville, N. Y., Oct. 17-22, Ithaca 24-26.
Woodward Theatre—Sac City, Ia., Oct. 19, 20, Newell 21, 22, Fonda 23, Wanzer 24.
Willard's, E. S.—Detroit, Mich., Oct. 20-22.
Wayne's, Mr. and Mrs. Robert—Chatham, Can., Oct. 17-22.
Wayne's Comedy—Spancer, Ia., Oct. 17-22.
Wallich's, H. R.—Trenton, N. J., Oct. 20, Philadelphia, Pa., 24-29.
Ward-James—New Orleans, La., Oct. 16-22, Montezuma 23-29.
Ward's, Arthur—Chicago, Ill., Oct. 17-22.
Wester Bros.—New Orleans, La., Oct. 17-22.
Weston Bros.—New Orleans, La., Oct. 17-22.
Wynam's, L. S.—St. Joseph, Mo., Oct. 20, Topeka, Kan., 21, Leavenworth 22.
Williams'—Montreal, Can., Oct. 17-22, Toronto 21-29.
Williams' Comedians—Detroit, Mich., Oct. 17-22.
Wallace-Villa's, Agnes—New York, N. Y., Oct. 17-22.
Birmingham 24, Winsted 25, Rochelle 26, Williamson 27.
Webster, Mass., 28, Woonsocket, R. I., 29.
"Wicked Witch"—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17-22.
"Worm" Web—Binghamton, Ia., Oct. 19, Troy 20.
"White Slave"—Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 17-22, Detroit, Mich., 24-29.
"Wifey of New York"—Bay City, Mich., Oct. 19, Jackson 20, 21.
"White Squadron"—N. Y. City Oct. 17-22, Brooklyn, N. Y., 24-29.
"World," J. Z. Little's—Grafton, W. Va., Oct. 19, Fairmount 20, Wheeling 21, 22, Steubenville, O., 24, Springmont 25, Connerville, Ind., 28, Richmond 29.
"Ye Earlie Trouble"—N. Y. City Oct. 17-Nov. 12.
"You Yonson"—Stockton, Cal., Oct. 19.

Musical.

Ahorn Opera—Nobility, Mo., Oct. 17-22, Columbia 21-29, Bostonian—Harlem, N. Y., Oct. 17-22, Brooklyn 4-22, Corinne—Richmond, Va., Oct. 17-20, Norfolk 21, 22, Digby Bell—Boston, Mass., Oct. 17-Nov. 5.
Duff Opera—San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 17-Nov. 5.
Dixie's—Hartford, Conn., Oct. 17-22, Altona 24, Wilmington 25, Darien 27.
Fencing Master"—Baltimore, Md., Oct. 17-23, Washington, D. C., 24-29.
Gruber Family Concert—Barbourville, Ky., Oct. 19, 20.
Grosvenor's—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17-29.
Hopper's, De Wolfe—N. Y. City Oct. 17-Nov. 5.
Hall's Pauline—N. Y. City Oct. 17-Nov. 5.
"Isle of Champagne"—Cleveland, O., Oct. 17-22, Cincinnati 23-29.
Metropolitan Opera—Boston, Mass., Oct. 17-22.
Musica's—San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 17-29.
Nashville's—Clark, S. D., Oct. 18, Watertown 19, Rock Rapids, Ia., 20.
Nashville's—Lillian—Ogden, Ia., Oct. 17-22, Salt Lake City 22-26, Denver, Col., 24-29.
Shadford Opera—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17, indefinite.
Sousa's "Bandit" Chicago, Ill., Oct. 19-21, Omaha, O., 23.
Fox, Wayne, Ind.—Massey, O. P., 23, Akron 24, 25.
"Tar and Tartar"—Washington, D. C., Oct. 17-29, Baltimore, Md., 24-29.
"Toby"—Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 19, 20, Austin 22.
Tennessee Warblers—Orlando, Fla., Oct. 19-22, Shippensburg 23, Harrisburg 25, 26.
Winston's, Jessie—Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 19, 20.
Wilbur Opera—Cincinnati, O., Oct. 17-Nov. 12.

Variety.

alabrega—En route through South America.
Bohanon Sisters—Creston, Ia., Oct. 19, Alton 23, Osage 24-25.

Black Crook Specialty—Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 17-22.
Cirk Sports—Washington, D. C., Oct. 17-22, Canton, O., 23.

City Club—Cleveland, O., Oct. 17-22, Rochester, N. Y., 24-29.

Davies' Sam—Brooklyn, N. Y., Oct. 17-22, Newark, N. J., 24-29.

"Forty Thieves"—N. Y. City Oct. 17-22, Williamson 24-29.

Fields & Hanson's—Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 17-22, Cincinnati, O., 23-29.

Foster's—Harlan, N. Y., Oct. 17-22.

Fay Foster—Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17-22, N. Y. City 24-29.

Howard's, May N. S.—City Oct. 17-22, Paterson, N. J., 24-29.

Harts' Boston Novelty—N. Y. City Oct. 17-22.

Howard Atheneum—N. Y. City Oct. 17-22, Pittsburg, Pa., 24-29.

Hill's—Muncie, Ind., Oct. 17-22, Indianapolis 23, Marion 24-29.

Hill's, Mrs. Nellie—Cincinnati, O., Oct. 17-22, Louisville 23-29.

Mabel Snow—Howard, Ia., Oct. 19, Centreville, S. D., 20.

Yankton 21, Vermillion 22.

"Me and Jack"—Cleveland, O., Oct. 24-29.

Night Owls—Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 17-22.

Patterson's—Johns Hopkins—Baltimore, Md., Oct. 17-22.

Williams'—Harriet, N. Y. City Oct. 17-22, Boston, Mass., 24-29.

Williams', C. W.—Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 17-22, St. Louis, Mo., 23-29.

Minstrels.

Barlow Bros.—Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 19, 20, Athens 21, Augusta 22, America 23, Albany 25, Columbus 27, Eufaula, 28.

Cleveland—Wilmington, N. Y., Oct. 17-22, Albany 22, Pittsfield 23, Troy 25, Collingwood 27, Burlington, Vt., 28.

Confield & Matthews'—Cincinnati, N. Y., Oct. 17, 20, Homer 21, Blooming, Pa., 22, Mansfield 25, Athens 26.

Decker Bros.—Warrensburg, Pa., Oct. 22.

Dockstader's—Evansville, Ind., Oct. 24.

Field's, Al. G.—Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 19, Helena, Ark., 20.

McGinnis'—Dallas, Tex., Oct. 19, 20, New Orleans 21, 22.

At the Bijou business was good 10-15 with "Our Cousin," Eddie Hasson week of 17.

Forrington's Circus gave two performances to overflowing tens 15.

Chattanooga—Bob Fitzsimmons' Specialty Co., same Oct. 20 to topheavy Fredrick Wards and Louis Wards, who had large audiences.

Grady Bros.—Panama, Paris 24-25.

Haverly's—Cleveland, O., Oct. 19, Sandusky 20, Akron 21, Canton 22, Columbus 24, Indianapolis Ind., 25, 26.

Lucier's—Hartford, Conn., Oct. 19, 20, New Haven 21, 22.

McDonald's—Bridgeport 24, South Newark 25.

Primrose & West's—Harlem, N. Y., Oct. 17-22, Williamson 24-29.

Schilling's—Leavenworth, Kan., Oct. 21 Topeka 22.

Fueblo, Colo., 23.

Vreeland's—Salem, N. J., Oct. 20.

Circuses.

Barnum & Bailey—Sherman, Tex., Oct. 19, Greenville

20, Texarkana 21, Little Rock, Ark., 22, Memphis Tenn., 24, Jackson 25, Union City, 26, Paducah 26, Forough's—Troy, Ala., Oct. 19, Columbus, Ga., 27, America 21, Macon 22, Savannah 23, 24, Charleston, S. C., 25, Augusta, Ga., 26, Madison 27, Atlanta 28, Rome 29.

Huntington's—Covington, Ky., Oct. 19, 20, G. W.—Marble Falls, Tex., Oct. 21, Llano 22, Marfa 23, Belvoir 24, Bellville 27.

Marie's—Walter L.—Beloit, Kan., Oct. 19, Abilene 20, Marion 21, Wichita 22, Pratt 23, Dodge City 24, Great Bend 25, Ness City 26, Larned 27, Wichita 28.

McMahon's—Regina, N. W. T., Oct. 21, Moosejaw 22, Maple Creek 24, Medicine Hat 25, Calgary 26, Carmarthen 27, Golden, B. C., 28.

Orin Bros.—Orin 29.

VARIETY & MINSTRELSY

AT PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 11, Coroner Ashbridge investigated the case of Mrs. Ada Gallagher, who was found dead, with her throat cut, in her room. William Gallagher, her husband, testified that he and his wife, who were in the vaudeville profession, were to have played an engagement in a theatre in Philadelphia, and that next week they were to play New York. He wanted his wife to stay in New York and get out of the business. This she refused, he says, to do, and said she would kill herself before she would return to his home in New York, where their two children are. He said she was always of a nervous disposition. Mrs. Susan Herlhy, who keeps the boarding house, stated that Mrs. Gallagher had told her that "she would have stayed away when she left her home on Saturday night, but the recollection of her children drew her back." She had told the witness she would cut her throat. Mrs. Herlhy added that "Mr. Gallagher was kindness itself to his wife, and never gave her a harsh word." A verdict of suicide was returned.

DELMORE, wife of Dan Sherman, of Sherman and Morsey, is to be making a little England in her vacation days. Sherman and Morsey have taken their own company to Rochdale, Eng.

ROBISON DALTON has doubled with Gussie Larsen. They will use their sketch, "The Midnight Burglar," Roster of Howard & Yount's High Class Specialty Co.; Howard & Yount, sole proprietors and managers; Chas. Jackson, stage manager; Howard Sweetser, advance agent; Carl Wilson, master of transportation; Frank Creo, Williams and Penre, Wm. Boden, Sullivan and Mack, Barnett Sisters, Clark and Hayes, Tillie Moore, Cora Trudell and Prot Vogelsburg's brass band and orchestra of ten pieces.

EDWARD A. LANG, late of the Clipper Quartet, has joined the Garden City Quartet, composed of Ed. A. Lang, James Calahan, Ed. J. Begley and George Clegg.

HARRY WALKER JR., of the Theatre Comique, Kansas City, is on a visit to his friends at St. Louis and St. Louis, Ill.

IDA CUMMINGS, of Dick and Ida Cummings, has been very sick for the past four weeks. Her husband is working alone at St. Louis. He will take her back to Denver, where he opens at the Central Theatre for the season.

THE KINGSLAND CASINO BRIGHT LIGHTS is the name of a new vaudeville company, which recently took the road. The roster: Edna Wensler, Prof. Wallace, Clarence Warrell, Mlle. Ada, Katie Warrell, Etta Leron and Myrtle Kingsland.

REX FORSTER, of Forster and Evans, was presented with a diamond ring and a gold watch at Flagstaff, Ariz. Recently he presented his wife, Alice D. Evans, with a sealskin coat. Mr. Forster is now a member of the Forsters and K. P's.

IKE Rose has recovered from his recent illness, and is once more ahead of Gus Hill's World of Novelties. Baggesen has been added to the company. The roster now includes twenty-one people. Mr. Rose reports propitious business. Frank C. Rice, who filled Mr. Rose's position during his illness, speaks in the highest praise of the treatment he received at Mr. Hill's hands. When he left the company he was given a banquet and quite a purse by the genial Gus. The entire company took part in the festivities.

MONTAUG AND WEST, a clever musical team, are reported to be having success with Mackie's "Gentlemen's Collier Down" Co.

J. J. MADDEN has closed with Norris' Canine Paradox and Novelty Show, and returned to his home, New Orleans, to treat his broken ankle, which he received at Birmingham, Ala., four weeks ago.

CLARENCE HOOD and EDWARD STOWELL have joined hands.

BILLY MCCULLAIN was presented with a gold watch and several small gifts last week, at Cleveland, in commemoration of his birthday.

"TODDY" JUDGE was presented with twelve pound baby boy last week by his wife.

AT THE LYCEUM THEATRE, Ashland, Wis., last week: The Kimes, the Scotts, McNamee Scanlon, Frank Granger, Palmer, Mabel, Bijou, Russell, Mons. Leopold and Marie Radabach.

The world's people at the Alcazar Theatre, Hurley, Wis., Chapman and Quigley, Jim Davis, Vic Devonport, Houlehan and Bennett, and Eddie Miles.

AT THE FOUNTAIN THEATRE, Walla Walla, Wash., last week: Cameron and Troxell, Winnie Adams, Little Hastings, Bryce and Carroll, Little Hatfield, Lucy Dunton, Morton and Williams, Ennis, West, Tom Murray, Grace Sterling, H. B. Smith, Little Harris, "Red" Woods, Lucy Dunton and T. J. Page.

MANAGER B. F. KEITH exhibits this week in the lobby of his Bijou Theatre, Boston, a life size pastel of Josie Cohen, the soubrette, in Spanish dancing costume.

JOHN CONRON has signed as stage manager with Mrs. M. Myra Belitzel for an eight weeks' tour.

PAUL LA DREZ opened at the Madison Street Theatre, Chicago, Oct. 9.

ROBERT PRICE, baritone singer, now with Barlow Bros.' Minstrels, is said to be taking three and four encores nightly singing "The Broken Home."

MORRIS CRONIN will be under the management of Primrose & West for the next two years. Next season he will produce some new features.

JOHN BREWER, of McCabe & Young's Minstrels, was presented with a twelve stone diamond ring by his wife. Billy Farrell is assistant manager of the company. Alf. White has arranged some fine attractions. G. S. Dawson and H. Smith joined at Gurnee, Ill.

HAMILIN'S WIZARD OIL Co., No. 1, under the management of N. T. Oliver (Nevada Ned), is touring Northern Illinois. The following performers are with this company: Dr. N. T. Oliver, Marie Oliver, Will L. Smith, Mrs. Will L. Smith, Chas. E. Smith, Clark and West, Harry M. Helms, James Moran, John Roberts, Dan Allinson, Lorena, Harry Childs, Fred Barty, Frank Lereux and Lester Jansen. The company carries a brass band and orchestra. At present it is located at the Opera House, at De Kalb, Ill.

MR. TENLEY, of the English Sports Co., writes: "I have joined hands with Tony Hart. We will be the principal comedy work in the burlesques. Our girls are engaged in doing soubrette."

MARY BELITZEL rests the death of her son (Russell Dean Green), who passed away Oct. 5.

CHAS. FREY, of Frey and Evans, mourns the loss of his mother, who died at his home at Easton, Pa., Oct. 12.

FRED J. HUBER, manager of Gus Hill's New York Stars, celebrated his birthday anniversary Oct. 8. He was the recipient from friends of a fine hand sashet filled with toilet articles.

THE WAMSUITS CLUB, of New Bedford, Mass., royally entertained Whitley and Leonard, of the Howard Atheneum Co., after their performance on the evening of Oct. 4, at their rooms. The Wamsuits and music and other young folks until the early hours. C. H. Knobbe was also royally entertained.

At the Wonderland, Jamestown, N. Y., this week: Gold, Brown, Collins and Mack, Shayne and Warden, Boxford Bros., Davin and Belzac, and the stock. Curti-hall—De Forrest, Gen. Rheinbeck, Dr. Dody and Jordan and Roberts.

KITTY WELLS has resigned from the City Club Co. NOTWITHSTANDING Dick Harris, of the Virginia Trio, was pronounced hopelessly insane by three physicians, he is again all right. The Trio open Oct. 31, at Orchestra Hall, Minneapolis, and from there come East for the holidays.

BILLY GREAT BEAR, Indian juggler and slack wire performer, is doing the new Indian aerial Owen-kanka act.

HOWARD AND ALTON commenced their Fall and Winter season at the Buckingham Theatre, Louisville, Oct. 10. They join Harry Robinson's Minstrels at St. Louis Nov. 14, as a special attraction for three weeks.

These people are at the Novelty Theatre, Phoebe, Va., this week: Billy Courtney, Josie Russell, Chas. and Jennie Ward, Sadie San and Zetta Reed, Little Barton, Besse Still and Sherman and Mack.

CRUMBAUGH & MALLORY BROS.' MINSTRELS close at Mexico, Mo., Oct. 17, and will resume their road on Nov. 14.

AT HARRY DAVIS' MUSEE, Johnstown, Pa., this week: Curio hall—Dominick, Indian Albino and German Rose. Stage—Sam and Kittie Morton, Leonard and Hart, the Kasen Sisters, Frank Bowden and John McNamee.

WILLIAM O'DAY was married Oct. 13, at the Hotel Victoria, Johnstown, Pa., to Mary Engel, of Altoona, non-professional.

ESSIE POST CLINTON returned to the Lyceum Theatre, Chicago, Oct. 17, to play the Prince, in the burlesque, "Ermine." She has four more weeks booked in the Windy City.

The following people are at Charl P. Dempsey's World's Museum and Theatre, Allentown, Pa., for week of Oct. 17: Snow and Bond, Joseph Gannon, Kitty Randolph, Harry Foster, Billie Bowers, Charles Van La Petite Kitty and Electra.

MAS X. WITT is not acting as musical director for the May Ois Burlesque Co. He writes that he holds a contract, yet no job.



ever used in these columns. The capitalists behind the Fountain Square pluckily tried to get a main entrance on the corner, and the city fathers reluctantly agreed as a news matter. When the Fountain Square opens, Nov. 21, there will be four theatres located within six square blocks—the ones farthest away only two and a half blocks distant from each other. The Grand and Wainwright Streets are in the quartet. "Hankins and the People's" are "over the Rhine," and "Havin's and Harris" toward the West End. Despite the category being a straw whisper of a theatre on Walnut Hill, the "People's" will be the first to open. Miss Belle Bonde's angel child, Birdie, in "A Prodigal Father," retired from the cast 15 days, and was succeeded by little Irene Franklin, an eight year old actress. Miss Clarendon returns to New York. The announcement was made during the week that Charles Dickens, of "In God" is soon to wed with Lillian Burkhardt, who plays Mollie Somers in his company.... Joseph Arthur, who made Rising Sun famous through the medium of "Blue Jean," has joined the cast of "The Girl Who Rode Miles." Miss "Blue Jean" and others. There were mad at the wharf by the Rising Sun Roarers. The band, Mr. Arthur is searching for characters for his next production, "The Cornered.".... J. Wade Rosen, left "The Cornered" all week, the newest addition to the cast.

Wm. Bowles left "Imagination" to go to "The South before the War."

MEMORIAL HALL, SOLDIERS' HOME.—Oct. 10 Pete Raker was greeted by a large audience. "The Nabobs" 17.

Dayton.—At the Grand Opera House, Oct. 13. "A Texas Steer" was greeted by a large audience. Coming: 17. "A Kentucky Colonel" 21, 22. "The White Devil" 23.

PARK THEATRE.—Oct. 10-12. "A Pair of Jacks" drew good houses. On 13-15 Lentons' Vaudevilles "were seen by small houses. Due: 17-19. "Muggs Landing" 20-21. Edwin P. Mayo.

Memorial Hall, SOLDIERS' HOME.—Oct. 10 Pete Raker was greeted by a large audience. "The Nabobs" 17.

Columbus.—At the Grand Opera House, "Capt. Horns" opened a week's engagement Oct. 16. "Old Jed Prouty" did well 17. Prof. Anderson had fair business 13-15. "Friends" comes 23 for four nights.

Theatre Comique.—"Across the Potomac" opened for three nights 17. Janacek's "cancan" 18-20. "A Kentucky Colonel" had a good house 16. Oct. Williams comes 20, 21, 22.

PARK THEATRE.—"After Twenty Years" opened for three nights 17. Lentons' Comedy Co. did well 9-12, as did "A Pair of Jacks" 13-16.

COLORADO.

Denver.—At the Tabor Grand Opera House, "The Ensign" drew large houses Oct. 17, Oct. 24, Lillian Russell.

New Broadway Theatre—Week of 17, Milton and Dolle Nobles.

Alhambra.—Week of 10: Will Walton, Walter Zanella, Dave Stroh, George Franklin, Adaline Irving, May Smith, and Stone Rector, drew good houses.

Central Theatre—Joe Howard's "The Fireman's Devotion" is packing the house.

W. C. Fields' "The Man from the Theatre" Extensions, alterations, and transformations have converted the Wunderland into what is known as Wonderland and Bijou Theatre, which will have the effect of making it more popular than ever. The original room is roomy. A new room is added to the left, forming a balcony. The seating capacity of the parquet floor is six hundred and fifty, and of the balcony five hundred and fifty. There are twelve large dressing rooms, and the stage has all the modern improvements. The building is located on the corner of 16th and Larimer Streets, in the city. Opening: Ferguson Sisters Dancers, the Memphis Students, Maurice, Geo. and Edwin Du Bois, Celia Madeline and John Kennedy, the Sisters Edgar and Jessalling Rodgers and Frederick Rock in "Caprice."

Pueblo.—At the Grand Opera House, Alex Salini came Oct. 11. "The Ensign" 18. "Skipped by the Light" 19. Milton Nobles 22, Schilling's Minstrels 29. At the Wonderland, week of 10: Curtis Hall—Fannie Frelingue. Theatricals of a Great City. The new show 18. Lillian and Edward Eugene Williams 20. New 10. St. Leon and McSnick were also down on the programme, but did not put in an appearance 16. The Selles, Hughes and Sanford, Mamie Howard and the stock fill the programme.

IOWA.

Des Moines.—At Foster's Opera House, "Skipped" came Oct. 5 to good business. Orrin's Columbian Players came 10-14 to fair business. "A Knotty Affair" 15. McCarthy's "Mischiefs" 17. "The Ensign" 25.

Grand Opera House—7-77" came 3 to good business. Schilling's Minstrels came 4 to fair business. "Jane" 18. Jennie Winston Opera Co. 18-20, Alba Hewood 21, 22.

Wonderland Music and Bijou Theatre—Week of 17: Theatrical—Val Vito, Bebbie Seal and Minnette Curio hall—Jo and Wm. Lee Roy.

Dubuque.—At the Grand Opera House Oct. 7, "Dangers of a Great City" had a fair house. "A Knotty Affair" 10 had a good house. "Jane" 21.

TENNESSEE.

Memphis.—The stoppage of the street cars caused by the strike of the motormen and conductors, together with the strong counter attractions presented as a part of the Fall festivities, materially interfered with business at the theatres during the week, notwithstanding the excellence of the attractions at the two houses.

Lyceum Theatre—"Kilnapped" comes 17-19. "Aladdin" 22. "A Royal Pass" 24. Harlow's Minstrels had light houses 7, 8. Bobby Gaynor's business 10-12 averaged moderate.

Grand Opera House—Al G. Field's Minstrels come 18-20. "Kilnapped" 21-23. Sol Smith and Russel 24-26. Graham 27-29. Frederick Ward and Louis James averaged good sized houses 10-12.

Montgomery's Theatre—People 17 and week: Fox and Fisher, Edna Walling, and Mayfield and Herbert, Dave McCoy has retired from the stage management and will be succeeded by Billy Gray.

NEBRASKA.

Omaha.—At Boyd's Theatre, "Aunt Bridget's Baby" comes Oct. 17, 18, 19. Dora Davidson 20-23. Clara Morris 24, 25, Patti Ross 27-29. Sol Smith Russell played to crowded houses 10, 11, 12. "The Harvest Moon" did poorly.

Farnham Street Theatre—"McCarthy's Mischiefs" 16-19. "A Barrel of Money" 20-24. Alba Heywood played to a business the past week.

Wonderland—Oct. 17: Peter Sampson, Carlton Childs, Lightning Leavitt, Mike Nevello, Harward and Riley, and Fenton Bros. "The Black Flag" is the drama.

CANADA.

Montreal.—At the Academy of Music E. S. Willard received quits an ovation Oct. 10. Reopened his season here. Samay Morris Comedy Co. 17.

Queen's Theatre—Rose Coghlan opened here 10-15 and attracted large audiences. Claus T. Ellis 17.

Quebec's Theatre—Rosa Coghlan opened here 10-15 to good business. N. S. Wood 17. Edwin Arden 18.

Sainte-Catherine Street Theatre—Oct. 17: Peter Sampson, Carlton Childs, Lightning Leavitt, Mike Nevello, and Riley, and Fenton Bros. "The Black Flag" is the drama.

CALIFORNIA.

Los Angeles.—At the Grand Opera House, Lillian Russell presented "La Cigale" and "The Mountaineers" to good houses Oct. 3-5. Daniel Sully had fair audiences 6-8. Bookings: J. P. Howe's Lilliputians with Mrs. Gen. Tom Thumb, 12. "Yon Yonson" 14. "Aster Dark" 18, 19. "Nobes" 20-22. "The Lost Lovers" 23-25. "The Dredgers" 26-28. "The Los Angeles Musical Comedy" 29-31. "The Girl from the Hills" 32-34. "The Girl from the Hills" 35-37. "The Girl from the Hills" 38-40. "The Girl from the Hills" 41-43. "The Girl from the Hills" 44-46. "The Girl from the Hills" 47-49. "The Girl from the Hills" 50-52. "The Girl from the Hills" 53-55. "The Girl from the Hills" 56-58. "The Girl from the Hills" 59-61. "The Girl from the Hills" 62-64. "The Girl from the Hills" 65-67. "The Girl from the Hills" 68-70. "The Girl from the Hills" 71-73. "The Girl from the Hills" 74-76. "The Girl from the Hills" 77-79. "The Girl from the Hills" 80-82. "The Girl from the Hills" 83-85. "The Girl from the Hills" 86-88. "The Girl from the Hills" 89-91. "The Girl from the Hills" 92-94. "The Girl from the Hills" 95-97. "The Girl from the Hills" 98-100. "The Girl from the Hills" 101-103. "The Girl from the Hills" 104-106. "The Girl from the Hills" 107-109. "The Girl from the Hills" 110-112. "The Girl from the Hills" 113-115. "The Girl from the Hills" 116-118. "The Girl from the Hills" 119-121. "The Girl from the Hills" 122-124. "The Girl from the Hills" 125-127. "The Girl from the Hills" 128-130. "The Girl from the Hills" 131-133. "The Girl from the Hills" 134-136. "The Girl from the Hills" 137-139. "The Girl from the Hills" 140-142. "The Girl from the Hills" 143-145. "The Girl from the Hills" 146-148. "The Girl from the Hills" 149-151. "The Girl from the Hills" 152-154. "The Girl from the Hills" 155-157. "The Girl from the Hills" 158-160. "The Girl from the Hills" 161-163. "The Girl from the Hills" 164-166. "The Girl from the Hills" 1

OCTOBER 22.

ILLINOIS.

THE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS has handed down a decision in the case of Ang. Daly, appellant, vs. Webster & Brady, and others, respondents. Mr. Daly brought suit to enjoin the defendant from producing a portion of "After Dark," on the ground that such production was a colorable imitation of a scene in a copyrighted play written by the complainant, and entitled "Under the Gaslight." The particular composition which was the subject of this action is the scene in which a man is put in fear of his life, and being pursued by another, who is riding over which a railroad train is momentarily expected to arrive, and so fastened that he cannot move from his dangerous position. From this position he is rescued by a third person, who, surmounting obstacles, succeeds at the last moment in releasing him. In its decision, the court limits the claimed copyright of Mr. Daly to a rescue by one character of another in danger of his life from a coming train. The railroad scene itself is not protected, the placing of a character in danger of his life is not protected, the escape from danger is not protected. Therefore, the only protection vouchsafed to the idea as it appears in the play is that the Gaslight is similar to the incidents in connection with it. This decision will not interfere with the performance of "After Dark," nor the railroad scene. It will simply require a change in the manner of rescue pointed out in the decision. Even from this limited protection afforded Mr. Daly, Mr. Brady intends to appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States.

CLEVELAND'S ALL UNITED MINSTRELS gave an interesting concert at the Union Square on Sunday night, Oct. 16. The favorites in the company were heard in vocal selections, and the programme was quite attractive.

At the Edmondson, French cosmetics, made their American debut Oct. 17. The board of directors of the Casino have decided to continue Vanderville entertainments "for the present," and to strengthen the company wherever possible. That Mr. Aronson has been negotiating with Mr. Hill for the production of "The Fencing Master" at the Casino is a fact, and if Mr. Hill can find something else to take the place of Dr. Koven's new operetta at the Standard this winter, the change may be made.

DR. ANTON DVORAK, the new director of the National Conservatory of Music, will make his first appearance in this country Oct. 21, at Music Hall, with the co-operation of Anton Seidl's Orchestra. The program includes Fischer and Mine, Cleo, the De Vere-Sapio, and there will be a large chorus.

CARMENCITA made her last appearance at Chickering Hall night of Oct. 15.

"LITTLE MISS MILLION" was acted for the last time at Daly's Oct. 17. It had disappointed expectation. On its "Dollars and Sense" was revived, with Ada Rehan, Mrs. G. H. Gilbert, James Lewis, George Clarke, Adelaide Prince, Percy Hassell, Wm. Gilbert, Herbert Gresham and others in the cast.

WORTH'S MUSEUM.—Edna Ewing, said to be the tallest human being in the world, is here this week. She is one of the greatest museum attractions of today. The Bedouin Arab band, a novel addition of which is that there are two girls included in its company, made a strong impression. Eugene Perito, skeleton and cannon ball biter; W. Hilton, juggler; Johan Olsen, illusionist, and the two big box constrictors make up a good list. On the stage are the Sanders, the Nelsons, Dave Reed, James McDonald and "Thom Phlyn," who is probably Thomas Flynn in disguise.

KRAUS' NEW IMPERIAL MUSIC HALL. It is now announced, will open next Saturday night, Oct. 22. Specialties by popular vaudevillians will be given until 10:30 o'clock nightly, to be followed by a half hour of ballet and a half hour of burlesque. The invited guests will be the Bohemian Girl, Richard Pittard and Bernard Dyllyn will be among the performers at the opening.

EXTRA MATINNEES are announced at most of the city theatres Oct. 21, the National Columbus hall.

MINEY'S EIGHTH AVENUE THEATRE.—Hart's Boston Novelty Co. are here this week, appearing to a good house on Monday night. The company contains some of the cleverest members of the vaudeville profession, and the week's fare will, no doubt, be large. It is but a few weeks since the company played engagement at another city theatre, when the merits of this strong organization were fully reviewed in these columns. Next week, Billy Lester's Co.

THOMAS S. DARE on Oct. 18, in the Supreme Court, was granted an absolute divorce from Ada Dare, now of the Lillian Russell Opera Co., and formerly of the "Sibnd" Co. Mr. Dare is also to have the custody of his seven year old son. No defence was put in.

LONDON THEATRE.—Sam T. Jack's "Forty Thieves" Co. opened Oct. 17, to big houses. The inaugural scene, representing a Sultan in a harem, is very effective, and the story, though somewhat far-fetched, is well told by the girls. Their voices are clear and ringing, and the most gorgeous attire, tinsel, sequins, and ruching, lustrous abandon, form a rare picture. During this act the regular endmen's songs and jokes were "sprung," and dances were so well performed to please his Grace, the King, that all the stars, excepting J. H. Kelly, whose excellent manipulation of the bones in accompaniments, imitations, and, finally, the juggling of same, proved her to be one of the best in her line. Sherman and McRae's kid act was followed by the Sheeran Gallagher and Griffin, Britton and Mortimer, Rooley Roy, Fin De Sy, Bill Kennedy, Br. McNamee, and E. Brennan.

EDWARDIAN THEATRE.—A large audience gave a rousing welcome to that truly gilt edge collection of vaudevillians known as the Boston Howard Atheneum Co., on Monday night, Oct. 17. The people's and their several acts were fully reviewed upon their first city appearance. The girls are all in top form, and the audience has since been made in the roster. The performance has improved with repetition. The organ act is managed by John A. Hopkins, and is made up of the Sheeran Gallagher and Griffin, Britton and Mortimer, Rooley Roy, Fin De Sy, Bill Kennedy, Br. McNamee, and E. Brennan.

R. A. COOPER'S THEATRE.—A series of Texas girls were here the week, and opened to a good house night of Oct. 17. There have been no changes in the cast since the recent production of the piece at Niblo's. Next week, "A Star in East Lynne" will be presented.

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Harlem.—At the Opera House, "Friends" did a fair business last week. The Bostonians crowded the house Oct. 17 at advanced prices. Next week, Fanny Rose.

COLUMBIA.—Primrose & Ward's Minstrels drew a good audience 17. Next week, "The Power of the Press."

OLYMPIC.—The Rose Hill Co. did a good business last week. The Kent-Santley Co. opened well 17. Next week, the French Folly Co.

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Theatrical.

T. J. M., Boston.—See the notice at the head of "CART JACK," Chicago.—See the notice at the head of this column.

P. S. —Write to Miss May, as per the instructions at the head of this column. No doubt she will gladly inform you.

CONSTANT READER.—W. J. Scanlan was playing the stellar role in "Matronne," at the Fourteenth Street Theatre, this city, when he succumbed to paralysis.

W. H. Brooklyn.—See the notice at the head of this column. If it is important enough, you might advertise our column for information as to his whereabouts.

C. A. G. Pittsburgh.—We must refer you to the agencies dealing in plays.

E. B. Philadelphia.—It has not been published. 2. Such a record as said to have been made some ago, to be in progress. We believe it was a record set, though the act has been well worked up in all sections. 3. About eight or ten years. We don't care to say "who is the best." That's purely a matter of individual opinion.

"ANXIUS."—Boston.—Such a novel, if not sold publicly, could easily be obtained under circumstances stated; but you yourself cannot find it in any store, in my judgment, as others would have an equal right to make use of the story.

M.C.C. Brooklyn.—He is in this city, disengaged. See the notice at the head of this column.

J. M. Buffalo.—I know nothing of their financial responsibility.

T. R. Boston.—We are informed that they are "professionally booked" for a date in your city for the holidays. Our route list will advise you a fortnight ahead.

O. C.—We cannot enumerate the list in this department. A careful perusal of our theatrical news columns will bring you up to date.

J. F. McC. Toronto.—We dislike to discourage ambitious young men, but in your case that is the only course we can conscientiously adopt. You would do far better to pursue your present vocation. Many able and promising actors are vainly seeking employment, and the prospects of a novice are not bright. Don't let the "phrenologist" mislead you.

H. L. S. Hot Springs.—Michael Nolan was the composer. We have not discovered the exact date of its publication. Write to Mr. N. in care of THE CLIPPER.

H. A. C. Canada.—See the notice at the head of this column.

J. C. D. Boston, No. 1,004 Market Street, St. Louis, Mo.

J. H. B. Madeline.—She made her debut in 1845. 2. She was not at the old Richmond (Va.) Theatre in May, 1860. 3. She married in 1866. 4. She was at the Chambers Street Theatre, this city, February, 1867, and was in the Winter Garden Stock in 1868. 5. She became a widow March 24, 1868. 6. She is alive and is now with "A Nutmeg Match" (Annie Lewis Co.). 7. The company of the Royal Opera House (1869-70) in charge of J. W. Collier, W. H. Bailey, S. K. Chester, J. B. Wilkes (Wilkes Booth), G. Rogers, Edwin Adams and wife, and C. C. T. Appleton.—See answer to "O. C."

G. O. Boston.—The man that has a brother on the stage. 2. He is still in the business. 3. She is on the road at present. 4. See the notice at the head of this column.

L. E. He was born in this city. We know nothing about his religious belief. That is his own business.

WALLACE SHOW.—John King was killed at Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 27, 1880.

G. J. D. V.—She is to star in this country, and will soon make her appearance here. See "World of Players," on another page.

Baseball, Cricket, Etc.

A. S. Villmoe.—The pitcher has a right to raise his foot from the line of the box in the act of delivering the ball to the bat. His 18 covers this point. No answers by mail.

R. M. L. Brooklyn.—Seven bad balls were required to give a batsman his base from 1881 to 1886 inclusive, with the exception of the season of 1885, when six bad balls gave a batsman his base.

F. W. Philadelphia.—The ball is dead after it has been finally settled in the wicket keeper's or bowler's hands.

E. L. Hutton.—Wins. There never was any rule to that effect in 1881 or any other season. A player forced to vacate first base could only be retired by a fielder touching him off second with the ball or holding the ball up on second base.

W. W. Phillips.—In the championship of the Inter-Collegiate League for 1892 remains undecided. Philadelphia won the championship of the East and Chicago that of the West. The deciding game was to have been played at New Haven and at Chicago, but it had to be indefinitely postponed on account of the international match between the United States and Canada having been arranged for the same day at Philadelphia.

Athletic.

A. READER, New Haven.—George Seward, the famous runner, was born at New Haven Oct. 16, 1817.

J. P. Boston.—Daniel O'Leary defeated John Hughes in the second six days' race for the Astley belt, which trophy has been won by O'Leary when first contested for in London, Eng. The race came off in New York City, in 1878. The third race for the belt was won by Charley Howell, in the Fall of 1879.

J. Y. S.—Tale College beat Harvard College in a match at the Morris Park, Springfield, Mass., Nov. 18, 1892. Score, 10 to 0.

B. F. F. Cuba.—We do not publish professional challenges unless they are accompanied by a cash deposit, as an earnest of good faith.

M. H. New Haven.—1. See records of all kinds of jumping in THE CLIPPER ANNUAL for 1892. 2. See King answers.

Cards.

J. D. T. Baltimore.—It was clearly and purely a false opening and must be treated as such. The player in error should be made to pay a penalty, and the original pot, with the penalty added, stands to be played for again.

E. H. Canal Dover.—The age did not pass.

W. H. D. Shamokin.—He could not build in the manner described.

D. D. C. Canal Dover.—No. The records of the age never lie.

C. W. New Haven.—There is a run of four for the last card in 7, 8, 2, 4 and 3.

CARDS SYRACUSE.—P. loses. Any straight flush is a royal flush.

N. K.—The game should be continued, according to your statement.

POKER PLAYER, London.—He has to show openers only.

D. H. Jr.—Openers only were compulsory.

Ring.

ANNEX.—Jack Dempsey and Pete McCoy never fought a finish fight.

J. J. Detroit.—1. That depends entirely upon what an interested purchaser may be willing to pay for the pictures. 2. Your best plan would be to advertise them for sale.

A. E. P. Potomac.—In each of the glove fights in Australia, John Goodman and Joe Choynski the former won in four rounds. The last fight took place at Melbourne on July 20, 1891.

G. M. B. Jersey.—Jim Moore is living in London, Eng. Jimmy Elliston was actually shot by Jerry Dunn in a restaurant at Chicago, Ill., March 1, 1892.

Milton, New Haven.—George Godfrey defeated Jack Ashton at Boston, Mass., Nov. 7, 1892, fourteen rounds being fought in fifty-five minutes.

Turf.

F. A. B. Boston.—Nancy Hanks trotted a mile on a regulation track in 2:04, going against time.

W. M. Portland.—Nancy Hanks stands 13 1/4 hands in height and weighs 110 lbs.

G. D. T. The English Derby of 1875 was won by Prince Bathurst's Galopin. The Duke of Westminster's Bond Or won in 1890.

Billiards, Pool, Etc.

W. H. Patterson.—The player is entitled to both balls on the play.

BILLY M. Saginaw.—D.

Miscellaneous.

X. R. FALLS.—About how many years ago? You do not give us any clue to work upon.

P. C. M.—The advertisement costs \$3.20 each insertion.

You can procure it through Dick & Fitzgerald, No. 18 Ann Street, this city. It is also in Thomas Hood's collected poems.

ELLISWOOD, New Haven.—It does not hold legally in all cases. Consult a lawyer.

D. C. Austin—See Martinka's card in another column.

Newspapers' and Booksellers' Convention.

The annual convention of the Newsdealers' and Booksellers' National Association opened Oct. 11, at Philadelphia. This association originated in New York in 1882, its object being "to promote and foster the interests of its members in their profession and to provide fund for mutual assistance in case of sickness or death, to unite fraternally all those of good moral character engaged in the newspaper trade, to afford mutual protection and counsel in matters pertaining to their business, and elevate the character of their business and those engaged in it." Sick benefits of \$3 weekly are paid and the sum of \$25 to the widow of a deceased member.

Among the matters considered were the setting up of a price-taking committee, hours that shall at "our rates" determine as to the return to the publishers of such daily newspapers, weeklies and monthlies as are unsold, and deciding upon a uniform system among dealers throughout the United States. The hall where the convention was held contained exhibits of quite a number of well known publishing houses, among whom THE CLIPPER was conspicuously represented.

At the afternoon session, 12, the following officers and executive committee were elected: President, Charles B. Swift, Philadelphia; first vice president, William H. McLean, New York City; second vice president, Miss E. Denroche, Friendship, N. Y.; corresponding secretary, Thomas J. McLean, Pittsburg, Mass.; recording secretary, J. F. J. Reilly, financial secretary, E. M. Shattuck, treasurer, F. A. Salisbury, Providence; R. L. committee, E. C. Rahme, Philadelphia; James Brennan, New York City; T. G. Lunt, Brooklyn; M. Nasbaum, Norfolk, Va.; Philip J. Henzel, Albany, N. Y. The principal business was the adoption of resolutions favoring the licensing of newsdealers and abolishing the return newspaper privilege, and favoring in lieu thereof an allowance of 40 per cent discount. The convention adjourned to meet at Chicago Sept. 19, 20, 1892. Evening of Oct. 12, the delegates were banqueted at the Hotel Vendome. Sixty covers were laid. E. C. Rahme of the executive committee, who presided, did the honors in the most agreeable manner. Charming music during the evening added greatly to the pleasure of the banqueters.

CHESS.

To Correspondents.

C. O. JACKSON, Kokomo.—All right, old friend; just send the games, and we'll take care of the "surfeit" business at this end. Your contribution box has to be sent to me, and I will see that it is well taken care of.

F. M. TAKI.—We believe we have to thank you for the attention given to our column.

W. H. S. Scranton.—1. Miss Galloway joined Haverly's Minstrels March 26, 1873, and remained with them until March 25, 1877. 2. Miss Galloway joined them in November, 1877, and closed on Aug. 18, 1877. 3. Primrose Street, team, joined them Nov. 20, 1874, and closed April 1, 1875.

M. E. V. Sandy Hill.—See the notice at the head of this column.

J. K. Dallas.—He is not dead. He is an inmate of Broadmoor Insane Asylum, this city.

W. A. S. Peabody.—Address him at No. 806 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

C. H. L. Meadville.—From \$25 to \$50 a week, according to the performer's cleverness, etc. 2. Advertising.

L. C. T. Atlantic City.—See the notice at the head of this column.

SUBSCRIBER NO. 3.—She is with the variety company bearing her name. They played Oct. 6-8, according to our route list, at Worcester, Mass.

W. H. S.—We are told that she is still in the act of recovering from an attack of small pox, though the act has been well worked up in all sections. 3. About eight or ten years. We don't care to say "who is the best." That's purely a matter of individual opinion.

"ANXIUS."—Boston.—Such a novel, if not sold publicly, could easily be obtained under circumstances stated; but you yourself cannot find it in any store, in my judgment, as others would have an equal right to make use of the story.

M. C. C. Brooklyn.—He is in this city, disengaged. See the notice at the head of this column.

J. M. Buffalo.—I know nothing of their financial responsibility.

T. R. Boston.—We are informed that they are "professionally booked" for a date in your city for the holidays. Our route list will advise you a fortnight ahead.

O. C.—We cannot enumerate the list in this department. A careful perusal of our theatrical news columns will bring you up to date.

J. F. McC. Toronto.—We dislike to discourage ambitious young men, but in your case that is the only course we can conscientiously adopt. You would do far better to pursue your present vocation. Many able and promising actors are vainly seeking employment, and the prospects of a novice are not bright. Don't let the "phrenologist" mislead you.

H. L. S. Hot Springs.—Michael Nolan was the composer. We have not discovered the exact date of its publication. Write to Mr. N. in care of THE CLIPPER.

H. A. C. Canada.—See the notice at the head of this column.

J. C. D. Boston, No. 1,004 Market Street, St. Louis, Mo.

J. H. B. Madeline.—She made her debut in 1845. 2. She was not at the old Richmond (Va.) Theatre in May, 1860. 3. She married in 1866. 4. She was at the Chambers Street Theatre, this city, February, 1867, and was in the Winter Garden Stock in 1868. 5. She became a widow March 24, 1868. 6. She is alive and is now with "A Nutmeg Match" (Annie Lewis Co.). 7. The company of the Royal Opera House (1869-70) in charge of J. W. Collier, W. H. Bailey, S. K. Chester, J. B. Wilkes (Wilkes Booth), G. Rogers, Edwin Adams and wife, and C. C. T. Appleton.—See answer to "O. C."

G. O. Boston.—The man that has a brother on the stage. 2. He is still in the business. 3. She is on the road at present. 4. See the notice at the head of this column.

L. E. He was born in this city. We know nothing about his religious belief. That is his own business.

WALLACE SHOW.—John King was killed at Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 27, 1880.

G. J. D. V.—She is to star in this country, and will soon make her appearance here. See "World

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BASEBALL.

DIAMOND FIELD GOSSIP.

Latest Doings and Sayings of the Baseball Fraternity.

N. E. Young, president of the National League and American Association, when spoken to Oct. 11 about the different clubs releasing their players, he said: "Nothing was even hinted at when we met in New York recently. That was a purely private matter with the management of the National League and American Association. But we did discuss the question of reducing expenses, so that the men who are putting their money into the national game should receive some return upon their investments. I call to mind one person in our organization who is a practical business man, and that is President Wagner, of the Washington Club. He cannot get the idea out of his head that baseball should be conducted on the same line as any other enterprise into which a man of means may put his surplus capital. The magnate is expected to invest large capital in the game just for the pleasure of paying a set of players nothing, or that is taken in account, leaving nothing for the investors, passes his comprehension. In a recent conversation on this subject Mr. Wagner said: 'I will lose several thousand dollars this season, which would have been saved if it were not for the excessively high salaries. These are out of all proportion to the services rendered, and baseball cannot last unless these salaries are brought within reason.' The public is prone to sympathize with the player, and the magnate is considered cruel and hard hearted. But this is all wrong, and I cannot see where a ball player who receives \$3,000 or \$4,000 a season is treated harshly. The interest in the game has not died out by any means. Here in Washington we have drawn considerably more than last year, and given with additional receipts, and that is a good sign. Now the whole trouble is in the salary list, and if the players are not prepared or disposed to accept a moderate salary, then they must give way to others who are willing to do so. This city was tenth in the amount of money paid into the league fund, being ahead of Baltimore and Louisville. Pittsburgh was the banner city with Boston a good second. Just look at Baltimore, with a team which finished the first half of the season in last place, with a \$48,000 salary list. Of course, the amount was cut down by the reduction of several players' stumps and by releases, but even then Mr. Vonderhors will lose some \$16,000 this year. It cannot be expected that this sort of thing can continue, and both player and public should look at the situation with a clear eye. For example, on Oct. 14, for Cleveland, to be present with my staff of umpires at the opening game of the championship between the Boston, winners of the first half of the championship season, and the Cleveland, winners of the second half; for the Clevelanders are safely anchored in first place now, despite their foray to Pittsburgh. Until the two teams are ready to play ball no one will know who is to umpire the first contest. There will be three games at Cleveland, three at Boston if necessary, and three at New York, provided, however, that the future champions do not decide matters in their own towns, for it will only be necessary to win five out of the nine games to become champions of the world in baseball playing."

Capt. Anson, of the Chicago Club, in a recent interview said: "I know the national game has suffered a little, recently, but it is only one of those ills in interest which have come occasionally since the game was first introduced. Baseball is a right, and it will be for ages to come. There is nothing to shake it. Where is there any sport to take its place? It is the only sport that lives strictly on its own merits. It has no betting privilege to keep it going. Baseball salaries are too high. There never was a time in the history of the game when the baseball business warranted such salaries as have been paid the past three or four seasons. There were several clubs that made money on such salary lists, but take the whole business through and through, there were dollars lost where cents were made. Do I look for a revival of interest next season? Yes, there will be a resumption of interest in the game, but it will take one year to fully recover. The double championship season was a farce, and it was a good move which they abandoned it. I see some of the newspapers have given it out that I am to be in New York City next season, but it is the old saw with me of going away from home to hear the news. I know nothing about such an agreement. All I have ever heard on the subject is what has appeared in the newspapers. I may be there, and I may not be. I know nothing about it at this time."

When the veteran Harry Wright, manager of the Philadelphia team, was asked if he had released his players, he answered smilingly: "No, not yet, but they are no better than any of the others, and it may come later. There has been no money in baseball this year, and it is hard to figure how to pay \$5,000 salaries, when we get only \$62 and \$48 as our share of the receipts from games, as has happened to us lately."

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A. J. Reach, president of the Philadelphia Club, in a recent interview, said: "The Philadelphia players are to be treated fairly, as they always have been. If we release a man, we will do what we do not want him, and not to save a few dollars. Next year we shall be compelled to reduce salaries, as the business must be run in a business-like way." Pitcher Hart, whose picture is given in another column, is his home town, Cincinnati, having been seriously injured at Eastern Park, Brooklyn, where sliding to second base he either snapped or stretched a tendon in his shoulder. He now has nothing about it at this time."

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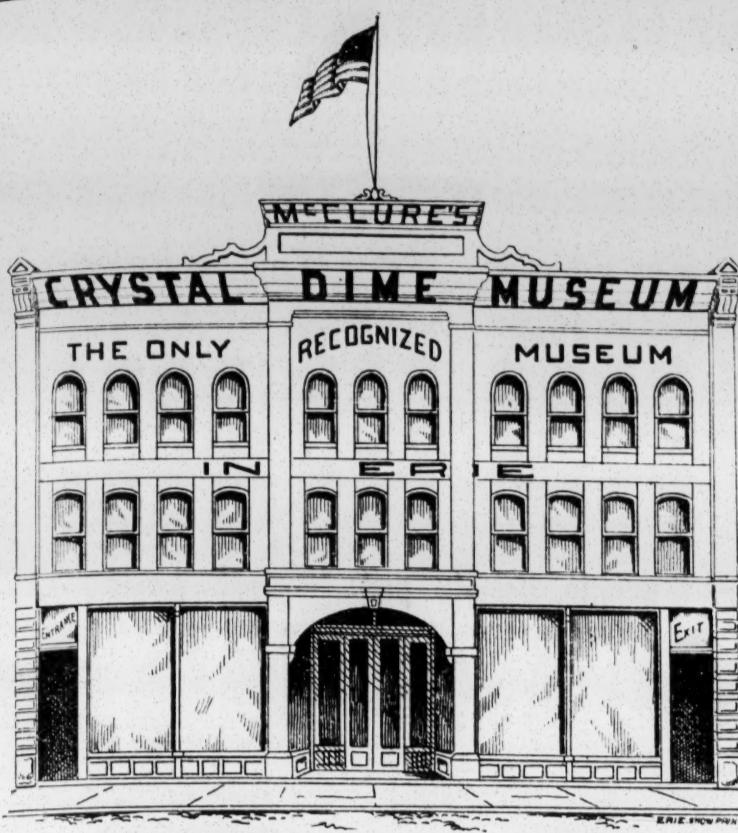
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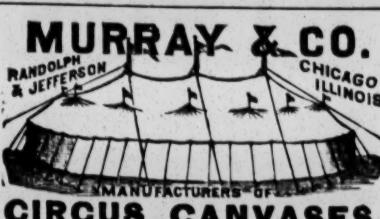
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